

STATE OF MAINE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. 2000-808

October 2, 2000

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
Standard Offer Bidding Process

DELEGATION ORDER

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

The Electric Industry Restructuring Act, 35-A M.R.S.A. § 3212, and Chapter 301 of our rules require the Commission to conduct a bid process to select standard offer provider(s) for each of the utilities' service territories.¹ To facilitate the process of soliciting and evaluating standard offer bids, we delegate our authority to decide the following matters to the Director of Technical Analysis pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 107(4):

- Content and format of the Request for Bids (RFBs)
- Utility data to be provided to potential bidders
- Billing units to be used to compare bids
- Billing units upon which to base the amount of the financial capability requirements
- Schedule for the RFB, evaluation and selection processes
- Approval of alternative provisions to the standard form contract
- Eligibility and conformance of non-price portions of proposals

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 2nd day of October, 2000.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Dennis L. Keschl
Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch
 Diamond

COMMISSIONER ABSENT: Nugent

¹Consumer-owned utilities may opt to conduct their own bid process to select standard offer providers for their respective territories.

NOTICE OF RIGHTS TO REVIEW OR APPEAL

5 M.R.S.A. § 9061 requires the Public Utilities Commission to give each party to an adjudicatory proceeding written notice of the party's rights to review or appeal of its decision made at the conclusion of the adjudicatory proceeding. The methods of review or appeal of PUC decisions at the conclusion of an adjudicatory proceeding are as follows:

1. Reconsideration of the Commission's Order may be requested under Section 1004 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (65-407 C.M.R.110) within 20 days of the date of the Order by filing a petition with the Commission stating the grounds upon which reconsideration is sought.
2. Appeal of a final decision of the Commission may be taken to the Law Court by filing, within 30 days of the date of the Order, a Notice of Appeal with the Administrative Director of the Commission, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(1)-(4) and the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 73, et seq.
3. Additional court review of constitutional issues or issues involving the justness or reasonableness of rates may be had by the filing of an appeal with the Law Court, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(5).

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